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Examiner: Lawrence Ferguson

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Title: TRANSFIX COMPONENT HAVING
MICA-TYPE SILICATE OUTER LAYER

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated May 7, 2003, for which a response is due on or before August 7, 2003.

REMARKS

Review and reconsideration on the merits are requested.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 11-12, 18-19 and 21 contain allowable subject matter. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner remove these claims from the rejections, as they are only objected to. Applicants further respectfully request that the Examiner indicate on PTO Form 326, that these claims are merely objected to and not rejected.

Claims 1-10 and 13-21 have been rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as obvious over Badesha, et al. (U.S. Patent 5,846,643) in view of Swift et al. In response, Applicants traverse the rejection.

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